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# H. R. 1876

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 2, 2009

Ms. BORDALLO (for herself and Mr. BARTLETT) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### 3   **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Military LEEDs Act  
5   of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF LEADERSHIP IN ENERGY AND ENVIRON-**  
2 **MENTAL DESIGN (LEED) PRINCIPLES IN MILI-**  
3 **TARY CONSTRUCTION.**

4 Section 2915 of title 10, United States Code, is  
5 amended by adding at the end the following new sub-  
6 section:

7 “(f) USE OF LEED PRINCIPLES IN NEW CONSTRUC-  
8 TION.—In the case of each military construction project  
9 or military housing project authorized after September 30,  
10 2009, the Secretary of Defense shall require the incorpo-  
11 ration of design criteria promulgated in the Leadership  
12 in Energy and Environmental Design Green Building Rat-  
13 ing System, as developed by the United States Green  
14 Building Council, to achieve not less than the silver stand-  
15 ard.”.

16 **SEC. 3. EXPANDED USE OF SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS IN**  
17 **MILITARY CONSTRUCTION.**

18 Section 2915(b) of title 10, United States Code, is  
19 amended—

20 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking  
21 “CONSIDERATION” and inserting “SPECIAL CONSID-  
22 ERATIONS”;

23 (2) in paragraph (1), by striking “consideration  
24 of” and all that follows through the end of the para-  
25 graph and inserting “consideration of the following:

1           “(A) The incorporation of energy systems using  
2           solar energy or other renewable forms of energy.

3           “(B) The use of sustainable construction mate-  
4           rials.”; and

5           (3) by adding at the end the following new  
6           paragraph:

7           “(3) The Secretary concerned shall require that con-  
8           tracts for construction resulting from such design include  
9           a requirement that sustainable construction materials be  
10          used if the use of sustainable construction materials can  
11          be shown to be cost effective. For the purposes of evalu-  
12          ating the cost-effectiveness of sustainable construction  
13          materials, the Secretary concerned shall award weight to  
14          cost savings as well as a savings through reduced environ-  
15          mental impact.”.

16   **SEC. 4. RENEWABLE ENERGY GOALS IN MILITARY CON-**  
17                           **STRUCTION.**

18          Section 2911(a) of title 10, United States Code, is  
19          amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
20          graph:

21          “(3) The performance goals required by this sub-  
22          section shall include specific goals to increase the use of  
23          renewable energy sources on all military installations in  
24          the United States and overseas.”.

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